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Hongkong, May 1, 1907.

AMONG NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
SHIPPING.

AMONG, September 24.
The S.S. Inverclyde arrived in port
two days ago from New York via Hong-
kong, bringing a general cargo, the larger
part of which is bridge material for the
Amoy to Changchow railway, shipped
from America. The Amoy cooie has an
exaggerated idea of his own worth and
importance, and whenever he gets the
chance, tries to get the upper hand of the
unsuspecting skipper of the merchantman.
The cooies on the Inverclyde worked
one day, and the next they thought they
would stick out for higher wages. But
they had met their match this time, for
the skipper, metaphysically speaking,
kicked the whole lot over the side, telling
them at the same time that he would do
the discharging of the cargo himself, which
he and his crew are doing. It is to be
hoped the whole body of cooies here have
had a salutary lesson, and if only other
skippers would act likewise when thus
imposed upon, a much better state of
affairs might result.

The local agents for this steamer are
Messrs Douglas, Laing & Co.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE FLEET.
I paid a hurried visit to the Race Course,
where extensive preparations are going on
for the coming visit of the American fleet.
A large wooden jetty is being built, leading
on to a broad, well made road, which will
take me to the centre of things. Another
excellent road has been made from the
Race Course to the Nam Tso temple.
Big bamboo houses, roofed with eucalypt
mattings, are being erected all round the
course, and in the far corner, where
the old pavilion used to be, a house capable
of seating 3000 men at one time is now in
the process of completion. A number of
skilled builders from Canton have lately
arrived, and the whole place is a perfect
hive of industry. The electrical plant is
also under way, and is under the supervision
of an European Engineer.

AMONG NEWSPAPERS.
An unfortunate quarrel has broken out
between the two leading Chinese Daily
papers here, the E Ming Po (廈門報)
and the Tsan Bian Po (全園報).
The former is owned and edited by a
member of the Yap family, and the latter
by a Chinaman, who is a Japanese subject.
It appears that the whole matter started
by the E Ming Po suggesting that its com-
petitor provided reading for beggars, snail
boys, and such like people, and that it
really was rather a foolish rag. This was
very naturally resented by the persons
concerned, who managed to find, or im-
agined they had found, some shady things
about the ancestors of the editor of the
E Ming Po. This again was hotly denied,
and so the quarrel was started, and it bids
fair to stir up a vast amount of ill feeling.
There is also some trouble about the
Railway that is now being built. One
paper admits that funds have been mis-
appropriated, and large sums of money been
needlessly wasted in one way and another.
There seems to be no doubt that share-
holders are now very unwilling to subscribe
any more money and are suspicious.

In a cricket match at Colombo between
the R.G.A. and the time-expired crew of
the *Adriatic*, Major Merriam an old mem-
ber of the S.C.C. twenty years ago had an
excellent time. He made 100 out of 211
in an hour and half without giving a
chance. His score included two sixes and
12 fours. Major Merriam also captured
6 wickets for 20 runs. It is only fair to
say, however, that the *Adriatic* had only one good
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Hongkong, August 21, 1908.

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Fights for the Flag, by Elcott
Coral Island, by Ballantyne
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Hongkong, August 12, 1908.

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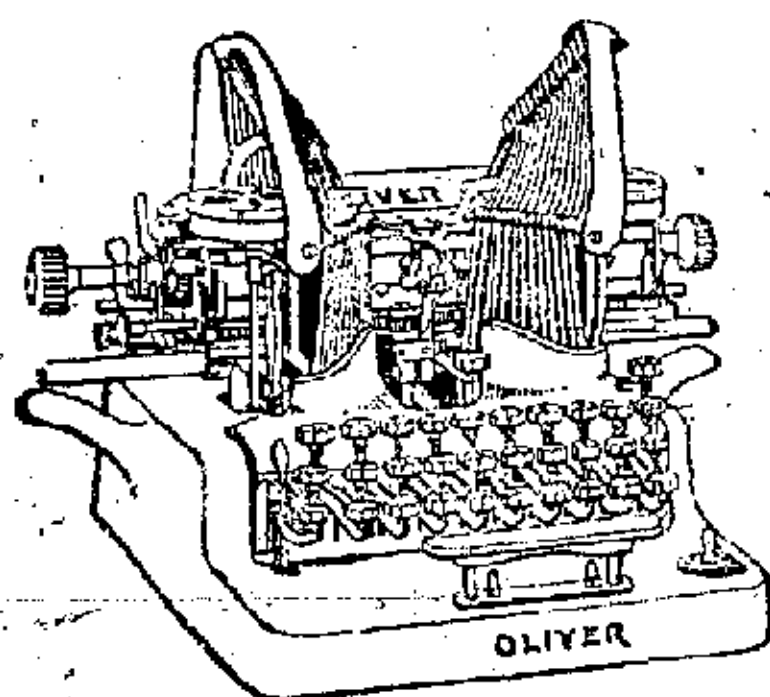
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Hongkong, August 2, 1908

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pointed SECRETARY to the Com-
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E. SHELLIM,
Chairman.

Hongkong, September 25, 1908. 1315

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having purchased the
GOODWILL, FURNITURE AND
EFFECTS of the Business of a Hotel and
Boarding-house, heretofore CARRIED ON
at No. 15, Queen's Road Central, under
the name of "CONNAUGHT HOUSE,"
hereby gives notice that he will NOT BE
RESPONSIBLE for any of the Debts or
Liabilities in respect thereof prior to this
date.

L. GAMBAT,
Hongkong, September 26, 1908. 1321

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have This Day established a First-
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BAKERY in order to give the Hongkong
public an opportunity of testing our
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Hongkong, September 24, 1908. 1312

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ing, dealing in all sorts and varieties of
HUMAN HAIR, beg to inform our
patrons that owing hitherto to our having
confined ourselves to KA YING CROW and
GAYON, our name, in consequence, re-
mains unknown to them, and also, although
they recognised the first grade quality of
the goods they have been buying, yet they
knew not that we are the Exporters, as all
Hair coming from us, after having been
carefully sorted, is subjected to a cleansing
and drying process of our own before being
exported.

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Hongkong, September 21, 1908. 1302

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Hongkong, May 14, 1908. 1304

PENSIONS.

In answer to a request from a Labour
member, the British Government has issued
a Blue Book showing the pensions now
being paid to retired officials and others.
Among those receiving £1,000 a year and
over are the following:—

Sir H. Drummond-Wolff (ex-Am-
bassador) ... £1,700
Sir E. B. Malet (ex-Ambassador) ... 1,700
Sir E. Monson (ex-Ambassador) ... 1,700
Sir H. Rumbold (ex-Ambassador) ... 1,700
Sir G. Scott (ex-Ambassador) ... 1,700
Sir J. G. Kennedy ... 1,800
Sir E. C. H. Phillips ... 1,800
Sir E. M. Satow (ex-Minister to
China) ... 1,900

Sir G. H. Wyndham ... 1,900
Mr C. H. Addison ... 1,900
Mr W. J. Courthope ... 1,000
Sir Henry H. Blake (ex-Governor
of Hongkong) ... 1,000
Sir W. J. Edgeworth (ex-Governor
of Ceylon) ... 1,022
Sir William Robinson (ex-Governor
of Hongkong) ... 1,000
Lord Stansmore ... 1,000
Mr Byron Brennan (ex-consul, Shang-
hai) ... 1,166
Mr G. Jamieson (ex-consul, Shang-
hai) ... 1,083
Sir J. Kirk (ex-consul) ... 1,337
Mr R. A. Mowat (ex-Judge of H. B.
M. Court for Japan) ... 1,166
Sir Percy Sanderson ... 1,133
Sir H. S. Wilkinson (ex-Chief Judge
of H. B. M. Court for China
and Korea) ... 1,387
Sir G. W. Kekewich ... 1,333
Mr D. C. Richmond ... 1,166
Lord Sanderson ... 1,533
Sir C. W. Freeman ... 1,166
Sir H. R. Luck ... 1,000
Mr J. Stoll (ex-magistrate) ... 1,000

The pensioner who has drawn the biggest
sum from the State is Sir George Farwell,
M.P. for North Paddington, who has re-
ceived in all over £24,000. This pension
was granted in 1872, when the office of
Registrar of the Court of Bankruptcy was
abolished. Sir George Farwell, who was
then only 38 years of age, was in receipt of
a salary of £1,000 a year. For 36 years his
pension has been £608 18s. 4d. Mr
T. J. Millar, who was a "Manchester
Messenger" in the Court of Bankruptcy,
whose office was abolished, has been draw-
ing a pension of £206 15s. 4d. since 1872.
As he was 54 when he retired Mr Millar is
now 90 years of age.

To these Civil Service pensions must be
added a list of the pensions drawn regular-
ly by ex-Ministers of the Crown on the
ground that they could not otherwise main-
tain themselves decently.

These are:—

Lord Cross ... £2,000 a year
Lord G. Hamilton ... £2,000 a year
Mr Chippin ... £1,200 a year
Sir John Gurney ... £1,200 a year
Lord Balfour of Burleigh ... £1,200 a year
Mr Gerald Balfour ... £1,200 a year

There is a case on record of an ex-
Minister who drew £30,000 in this way,
and yet left a fortune of more than a quar-
ter of a million when he died.

A Fair Warning.—Farmer Wayback
(starting home from the station).—"Please,
man, do you wear false teeth?" Fair
Bowler (for the summary, "Sir!" Farmer
Wayback—"Oh, I don't mean to be
cruel. Only this road is a little rough,
and if your teeth ain't good and fast you'd
better put 'em in your pocket."—Tit-Bits.

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per month, rising by \$6 per month annually

to \$60 with temporary addition of 25%

Apply in writing, setting School and enclosing

testimonials from Schoolmaster and

present employer if any.

H. RISSLAND,

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Hongkong, September 28, 1908. 1325

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DEATH.

Rose, - On 28th September, 1908, at
"Coolistan," Conduit Road, Hongkong,
ELLIE B. (MAY) the dearly beloved wife of
Thomas I. Rose, aged 47 years.

MEMOS FOR TOMORROW

Auction.

2.45 p.m. - Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at No. 11, Knutsford Terrace,
Kowloon.

Miscellaneous

Goods per Ziden undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

Goods per Kistung undelivered after
2 p.m. this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, October 1 -

2.20 p.m. - Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at Mr. Geo. P. Lamart's
Sales Rooms.

5.30 p.m. - Meeting of H. K. A. A. A.
at Hongkong Hotel.

7 p.m. - Military Gun Practice.

SATURDAY, October 3 -

Goods per Hongkong Maru undelivered
at 5 p.m. this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, October 5 -

Goods per Caladonim undelivered after
this date at noon will be subject to
rent and landing charges.

TUESDAY, October 6 -

2.30 p.m. - Auction of Leasehold Pro-
perty, at Mr. Geo. P. Lamart's Sales
Rooms.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, SEPT. 29, 1908.

CHINESE ECLIPSES.

Confucius records thirty-seven eclipses
of the sun during the period of 241
years covered by his own annals, B.C.
722-481, the first in date being in the
spring of 720, and the last in the year
481, when he gave up recording two
years before his death in 479. The
calendar which he employed was that of
the Imperial Chou dynasty, to the prin-
ciples of which his own state of Lu,
Southern Shantung, had always re-
mained staunch, and to which the rulers
of Lu were finally connected by blood.
This year was two months ahead of the
most ancient and also of the later and
the present Chinese year, that is to say,
his first moon, for the Chinese months
are strictly lunar, was the eleventh
month of the earliest and of the sub-
sequent dynasties, so of course for this
difference allowance must be made in
calculating backwards. At that time
the sixty day cycle, which continues
unbroken down to this day, was also
applied to years, as it is now, and an
intercalary had to be inserted, as it now
is about every third year, to bring the

solar year into line with the lunations,
so that three years would roughly cover
eighteen and a half cycles of sixty days
each. Thus, if we know to-day to be
the fortieth day of the cycle, by count-
ing back 16,650 cycles of sixty days, we
reach the fortieth day of some cycle
2,700 years ago, and if the exact date is
not hit off correctly, it must at least be
sixty days before or after, or a multiple
of sixty days. All these Confucian
eclipses take place on the first day or
night of each new moon, and it is
usually so specially stated, where it is
not so stated on which of the two it was,
the commentators of 1,000 years or more
later date generally remark that the
astrological recorders have, carefully
omitted the words, "first day." These
commentators show clearly that they
quite understand the position of the
moon in a line between the earth and
the sun to be the cause of the "eclipsing,"
but they also state that Confucius was
ignorant of the fact and supposed the
sun to "eat himself." Only three out
of the thirty-seven are described as total
eclipses, these are in 709, 601 and 549,
and of course if these can be proved
correct by western computation, the
presumption, of accuracy in other
matters becomes greater. That of
709 was on the twenty-ninth day
of the perpetual cycle of sixty days,
and on the first real day of the
day beginning at midnight, of the
seventh moon, or, according to present
Chinese computation the fifth moon.
The first day of the fifth moon in 1907
was June 10, but in 1908 it was June
22. According to western records the
eclipse of July 17 B.C. 709, as seen
from Shantung province, was, if not
actually total, at any rate a large
partial eclipse. The same thing is to
be said of the 607 eclipse; as seen from
Shantung it was total or nearly so,
according to western calculations, and
it took place on September 20. Accord-
ing to Confucius it occurred on the first
day of the sixty day cycle in the seventh
moon but he omits to say "first day of
the lunation." A commentator, however,
says "this eclipse was on the thirtieth
day of the moon," by which it is
presumed he means the sixth moon, in
1907 and 1908. The first day of the
seventh moon corresponded with the
ninth and twentieth of August respec-
tively. The total eclipse of 549 B.C.
took place on the first day of the seventh
moon, which was also the first day of the
perpetual cycle; according to western
calculations, June 19 was the date.

Of course the intercalation of a
"moon" about every three years may
well account for the discrepancy of two
months, especially when the Two
Chwan itself tells us that sometimes
an intercalary blunder was made. In
many instances Tso K'iu-ming, historian
of Lu and Confucius' pupil, who
expanded his bare annals into a re-
markable narrative, also mentions with
extra observations the eclipses record-
ed by his master, but unfortunately he
adds nothing further about the three
total eclipses; in fact, he does not
allude to them at all. The eclipse
of the first day, tenth moon of 605,
B.C. has been calculated, according to
Professor HIRTH, for 3rd October 694,
probably meaning the astronomical
year. Of the eclipse of the sixth moon
in 609, CONFUCIUS adds "drums were
beaten and victims sacrificed." Tso
K'iu-ming repeats this, with the extra
observation "unusual." A latter day
commentator says: "It has been
calculated backwards that this eclipse
took place on the first day of the
seventh moon. Both CONFUCIUS and
his pupil again record "drums and
victims" for the eclipse of the first
day of the sixth moon in 613.

Tso K'iu-ming adds "improper,"
and a commentator explains that the
victim was unnecessary in this case.
Of the eclipse on the fifty-fourth cycle
day of the eighth moon in 558, a third
century A.D. commentator remarks
that, counting back, there could not
possibly have been a fifty-fourth cycle
day in the eighth moon, but that there
was one on the first real day of the
seventh moon. Of the eclipse in the

twelfth moon of 546, twelfth cycle
day, a commentator similarly shows
that it must have taken place on the
first day of the eleventh moon. But
Tso K'iu-ming, who notices this eclipse,
remarks that, judging from the zodiacal
position of the sun, there must have
been a failure to insert the intercalary
moon. The eclipse of 535 must have
been observed in Shansi as well as in
Shantung, for the prince of that state,
Tsin, according to Tso K'iu-ming, asks
his astrologer: "Who will suffer this
time?" The reply is: "The State of
Wei, East Honan, most, and Lu less,
alluding to the "astral position" of
these two states. In the sixth moon
of 525, according to K'iu-ming, the
actual priest of Lu applies to the
prince for instructions, "What valu-
ables to offer." The third century com-
mentator explains: "Very proper: at
sixth moon eclipses valuables ought
to be offered to the tutelary Gods
of the land." In the seventh moon
of 521 the prince asks: "What luck
this time?" The astrologer replies:
"At solstices and equinoxes, eclipses
bring no disaster, at other times, yes;
because, at equinoxes, sun and moon
are on the same road, whilst, at
solstices, they pass by each other."

Of the eclipse on the tenth cycle day
twelfth moon, 520, the third century
commentator says: "Impossible, this
moon is known to have had a 47th
cycle day; therefore ten should be
forty." In the fifth moon of 518 the
same persons who spoke in 521 predict
a drought, and in the twelfth
moon of 511 the prime minister
of Tsin has a curious dream
which coincides with an eclipse. The
court astrologer, however, in interpre-
tating the eclipse, says it has nothing
to do with the dream, but is a warn-
ing that government is not acting
rightly. Of course in calculating back-
wards to bring Chinese and western
dates into harmony, count must be
taken of the various tinkering which
have taken place at both ends
of the world in order "to keep
the seasons straight," and to bring
fractions of lunations into line with
solar years. From 1644, when the pre-
sent Manchu dynasty assumed power,
eclipses have been recorded more or less
accurately under Jesuit guidance.

INTERNATIONAL COURTESIES.

Long before that memorable day when
Commodore TAYLOR, watching from the
deck of his flagship the sad plight of
the British sailors operating against the
Taku forts, exclaimed, "Blood is thicker
than water," and ordered his own men
to bear a hand in the fight, long years
before bluff old Captain CROMWELL, of
the *Immortalite*, returned the compli-
ment and gave all his moral support to
Admiral DEXTER in Manila Bay; long
before the days of armour-clads and
steam tactics, the most cordial relations
existed between the navies of the
two great Powers of Great Britain and
America. Whatever political differences
we may have had, the men of the sea
never allowed them to interfere with
their sense of tried friendship, and
we trust that it will always be so.
Hongkong has at present a rather
unique opportunity to extend a courtesy
to the American fleet. As we all know the
unfortunate outbreak of cholera at Manila
has resulted in all shore leave being
denied the men of the battleship fleet,
whom it calls at Manila on October 1st,
while the intended celebrations have
been indefinitely postponed. Now could
not Hongkong, under the special
circumstances of the case, offer the
hospitality of her waters to the fleet,
and invite the big American armada to
stay a few days here? There are many
obstacles in the way, we know, but
surely some means can be found to
surmount them. There is no doubt
that such an invitation would be greatly
appreciated, not only by the fleet but
by Americans generally.

PART and grand father, and the Steamer
18. While at Canton the Chinese people
followed him in a boat, and he was
followed in a boat by people with way
ward. Make new blood and build up
the system.

KOREA.

The Seoul Embassament Trial.

A telegram in our issue of September
21st, copied from the *North China Daily
News*, stated, in connection with the
trial of the Korean editor of the native
edition of the *Korean Daily News* for
alleged embezzlement of public funds,
that Mr E. T. Bethell, had proved that
everything was in order.

Under these circumstances it is clear
that the telegram in our issue of Sep-
tember 4th (also copied from the *North
China Daily News*) to the effect that the
Japanese telegrams stated that Mr
Bethell had confessed, to misappropria-
tion, was incorrect, and that the
Japanese telegrams referred to were
absolutely false.

We have therefore to express our
sincere regret that we should have been
unwittingly misled by our esteemed
Northern contemporary into publishing
these false reports.

SECOND OFFICER KILLED.

On the S.S. Manchuria.

A fatal accident occurred to-day on the
Pacific Mail liner *Manchuria*. Second
Officer Mott, who was shortly to have been
married, fell down the hold and received
injuries which resulted in his death about
two hours later. It is expected that the
body will be conveyed to Manila by the
Manchuria to-morrow.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A dirigible air-battleship, which, it is
claimed, will carry guns, has been invented
by Mr A. T. Richerson, of Burslem, Staf-
ordshire, England.

A large quantity of cutlery was missing
after a reception on the American battle-
ship *Connecticut* at Sydney. It is supposed
that the articles were taken as souvenirs.

Further evidence was heard at the
Magistrate's this afternoon, respecting the
death of several natives who were killed
in the collapse of buildings at Yaumati
during the recent typhoon.

The "King-Pan," a daily newspaper
published in Peking, is just entering on its
thousandth year, having been established
in the year 908. It issues three editions a
day, on different coloured paper—yellow in
the morning, white in the afternoon, and
pink in the evening.

Captain Rowland E. Power, East Kent
Regiment, who was recently appointed to
the command of the 1st Battalion Southern
Nigeria Regiment, at Calabar, has been
granted the temporary rank of major.
Major Power is still a long way off the
major's list in the Buffs, as he now stands
eighth on the roll of captains.

In 1907 the immigration from China
to Singapore was the largest on record.
Also the number of coolies going to the
F.M.S. exceeded all figures. There are
250,000 Chinese engaged in mining but less
than 2,000 signed agreements, this showing
that employers trust to arrangements with
their men that they know cannot be en-
forced in the Courts.

It appears that the rapidity with which
the King Alfred, flagship of the China
Squadron, was enabled to get off her
quickfiring guns at the recent tests was
due to the loading tray invented by the
very clever gunnery officer, Lieutenant
W. F. French, and the constant handling
of the guns by the crews. Forty rounds
per 60 seconds from the 12 pounder will
touch the record, if not beat it.

Stoker Brown of H. M. S. *Astron*
who died a few days after being admitted
into the asylum at Colombo, was buried
with naval honours at the general cemetery,
the funeral being attended by the crew.
A firing party with arms reversed pre-
ceded the hearse, and three volleys were
fired over the grave. The officers present
were Captain Regan, Lieut. Elmley,
Lieut. W. J. Fletcher, Lieut. Somerville
and Lieut. Sevinen.

The death is reported of Baron Henry
von Siebold, which took place at his
chateau of Frobenstein in the Tyrol, at
the age of 90. Like his elder brother,
Baron Alexander von Siebold, he had
passed a large part of his life in the Far
East, at Singapore, and then in Japan,
with which country he was mostly identified.
From 1873 to 1900 he was in the Austrian
diplomatic service in the Far East. He
was a profound student of Oriental
languages and literature, and was a mem-
ber of the Academy of Sciences in Vienna.
He was a son of Philip Francis Freiherr
von Siebold, the German scientist and
Eastern pioneer of near a century ago, who
was one of the first to render Japan acces-
sible to the ideas of the West.

A NEIGHBOUR'S KINDNESS.

MR. W. J. Fuller, J.P. storekeeper,
11, Broad Street, South, Antwerp,
arrived in Hongkong on a steamer
who was returning from a voyage to
who really thought he was not here. I
gave him three doses of Chamberlain's
Cough, Croup, and Diarrhoea Remedy,
and in a few days he had quite recovered.
I have only this remedy to my credit
family and sell it to my customers and I
give guarantees. For sale by all chemists
and druggists.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The 73rd birthday of General Sir Robert
Biddulph has just been celebrated. He
has held high positions, including that of
Colonel Commandant of the Gurmehs, and
the Governorship of Gibraltar. He served
with distinction in the trenches of the
Indian Mutiny, and the Chinese war.

Assistant Paymaster F. C. Blanchflower
and Clerk E. O. Oliver to Tanar, addition-
al, have been appointed as secretary's clerk
to Commander Lyon the new Commodore
of Hongkong, respectively, both Aug. 18.

At the request of the King of Siam the
German Postmaster-General has appointed
a postal official to take charge of the
reorganisation of the Siamese postal service.
The official is an Alsatian named Disewider,
secretary of the central office at Strasbourg.

His Majesty the King has been pleased
to approve of the grant of the Medal For
Distinguished Conduct in the Field to Ser-
geant J. Charlton, No. 3 Mountain Bat-
tery, Royal Garrison Artillery, and Ser-
geant-Major E. Reid and Colour Sergeant
J. Smith, 1st Battalion, Seaforth High-
landers, in recognition of their gallant
conduct in the recent operations on the
North-West Frontier of India.

The *St. James' Gazette* relates the follow-
ing anecdote:—While the Kaiser was taking
a walk with an adjutant at Oronberg a child,
not recognising him, offered some picture
postcards of his Majesty for sale. The
Kaiser asked the price, and learnt that the
single pictures cost ten pfennigs a card,
and a double picture of the Kaiser and
King Edward fifteen pfennigs. His
Majesty purchased some of the latter, and
turning to the adjutant said, "You have
heard it. Alone I am worth ten pfennigs,
with another only seven and a half."

We note that at the Oriental Congress
held at Copenhagen during August, the
Rev. Arthur Lloyd, delegate of the Asiatic
Society of Japan, treated the points of
contact between Japanese Buddhism and
the West. He found evidence to show
that Christianity was known in Japan
before the arrival of St. Francis Xavier,
and Mahayana Buddhism, as introduced
into China by Ashukao in 147 A.D., had
many striking similarities in time, place,
and general characteristics with the tenets
of the Massagene Gnostics as described by
Hippolytus and Epiphanius. Manichaeism
and Nestorianism followed Gnosticism-Budd-
hism into China, and he claimed the
support of Prof. von Le Coq's results for
the extent of their influence in China. He
mentioned there were traces of Buddhist
temples in the Caucasus and the Crimea,
while a supposed Jewish temple had been
discovered recently in Japan.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The American Consulate-General in Hong-
kong places at our disposal the following
telegram, received from the Manila Obser-
vatory:—

4.15 p.m. on Sept. 28.—Cyclone of
Typhoon E. of Manila, more than 500
miles distant, moving W. or W. N. W.
1.00 p.m. Hongkong, Sept. 29, 1908.
Cyclone or typhoon E. of Luzon less than
300 miles distant, almost stationary.

DISPOSAL OF CITY REFUSE.

At the Sanitary Board meeting this
afternoon, the reply from the Government
with reference to the purchase of steam
lighters for the disposal of city refuse,
stated that in view of the recent letting
of the scavenger's contract at reduced
figures and of the large capital outlay
which would be involved in the acquisition
of the steam lighters recommended by the
committee, the Government proposes to
hold the project in abeyance.

BACK YARD CISTERNS.

With regard to Back-yard Cisterns,
Hon. Mr. F. H. May, wrote asking the
Sanitary Board at their meeting this
afternoon, what opinion it held with
regard to the minimum area of yards
in which the construction of cisterns may
be permitted, by the Building Authority
without reference to the Board. The
Director of Public Works is disposed to
suggest an area of 60 square feet as the
minimum.

Dr. Faroo M.O.H. minutes:—Most
back-yards in the Colony are little more
than ventilating shafts and the erection
of cisterns of reasonable size in them will
not appreciably detract from their value as
such. The yard should, however, not be
obstructed to such a degree with cisterns
and latrines as to leave insufficient space
for the temporary placing in of other

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1908.

THE LICENSING BILL. MONSTER PROTEST DEMONSTRATION.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, Sept. 28.
A monster demonstration attended by no less than 300,000 persons was held in Hyde Park, protesting against the Licensing Bill. One hundred and seventy special trains brought deputations from all parts of the country.

TERRIBLE TRAIN COLLISION.

EIGHTEEN KILLED.

(Exclusive Service supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, September 28.

A train on the elevated railway at Berlin rammed another almost broadside, hurling a car to the ground beneath. Eighteen passengers were killed and many injured.

TO WELCOME THE AMERICAN BATTLESHIPS.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 28.

An Imperial Edict has been issued directing Tak Long, a member of the Imperial family, and lately a Vice-President of the Board of the Interior, and Leung Tuan In, Vice-President of the Board of the Interior, to proceed to Amoy to welcome the American Fleet.

TO VISIT PEKING.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 28.

The Board of Communications has urged Chiang Pui Sz, an Imperial Commissioner of Agriculture, Industry, Commerce and Railways in Kwangtung, to come up to Peking. His advice is sought in connection with the development of Chinese Industries.

SUN YAT SEN AGAIN.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 28.

The Wai-wai-yu is consulting with the British Minister, Sir John Jordan, with a view to so confining Dr Sun Yat Sen at Singapore that he will be unable to communicate with the rebels.

REUTERS SERVICE.

AFFAIRS IN THE BALKANS.

LONDON, September 27.

The conference between the Russian, German, Austrian, and Italian ministers is regarded as betokening considerable anxiety in regard to near Eastern affairs. Austria, it is persistently reported, contemplates taking steps to secure the permanent incorporation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

In regard to the Oriental railway, there is every indication that Bulgaria is determined to keep control of the line and to ignore the Turkish protests.

THE HEARST REVELATIONS.

LONDON, September 27.

The Hearst newspaper revelations in America have produced a regular campaign of mutual recrimination of party leaders in which President Roosevelt is vigorously participating. Several Republican and Democratic office-bearers have already resigned owing to their connection with the Standard Oil and other trusts.

GERMANY'S THIRD "DREAD-NOUGHT."

LONDON, September 27.

The German battleship *Rheinland*, third of the *Dreadnought* type, has been launched at Stettin.

TURKEY AND BULGARIA.

LONDON, September 27.

Turkish official circles view the Bulgarian Ambrogio favourably, and think the matter will be settled by a compromise.

WHAT EVERYBODY SAYS MUST BE TRUE.

EVERYBODY who has used it says Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy never fails to give relief from pain in the stomach or diarrhoea, which is positive proof of its reliability. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

SUICIDE OF DR WARDHALL.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, September 29.

Dr Wardhall committed suicide this morning by shooting himself. It is believed that financial difficulties were the cause of the doctor taking his own life.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM THE "TIMES OF SYDNEY"]

SVEN HEDIN ARRIVES AT SIMLA. CALCUTTA, September 15.
Dr. Sven Hedin arrived at Simla after two years in Tibet. His reports on important discoveries and extensive geographical collections. The tour cost £2,000. Tibet is four times the size of France and is bound to reward explorers. Dr. Sven Hedin proceeds to Sweden and London. He is preparing a book and will lecture before the Royal Geographical Society.

RACE FOR THE DONCASTER CUP.

LONDON, September 21.

The race for the Doncaster Cup was run at Doncaster this afternoon, with the following result:—
The Doncaster Cup.—About £390; 2 miles.

Mr. L. de Rothschild's b. h. Radium, by Bond Or—Tain, 5 years, ... 1
Lord Derby's ch. c. Gladys, by Garbina Ghazal, 4 years, ... 2
Mr. J. B. Joel's ch. g. Dean Swift, by Childwick—Pasquill, aged ... 3

Seven ran. The race was won by half a length, with three lengths between second and third. The betting at the start was: 7 to 1 against Radium; 8 to 1 against Gladys; 9 to 4 against Dean Swift.

THE ASSAULT ON DREYFUS.

LONDON, September 12th.
The journalist named Gregori, charged with shooting Dreyfus at the Pantheon in June last, had been acquitted. Addressing the Court, Gregori gloried in the deed and declared he would do the same again under similar circumstances. He reviewed the whole Dreyfus case at great length.

AFGHAN CAMEL-OWNERS HOLDING UP TRAFFIC.

LONDON, September 12th.
In connection with a camel-owners' strike in the north-west of West Australia, forty armed Afghans have occupied the Marblebar road and are preventing caravans from taking food-stuffs inland.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

For the week ended 31st instant, the death rate of Hongkong was 22.7 per 1,000, while for the succeeding week it was 25.8 per 1,000, as against 20.9 per 1,000 for the corresponding week of last year.

ALLEGED BREACH OF CONTRACT.

Judgment for Plaintiff.

Mr Justice Gompertz gave judgment at the Supreme Court, this morning, in the case, in which, Humphreys, Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., were sued by Mr P. W. Golding solicitor, who claimed \$800 damages for alleged breach of contract in failing to comply with an agreement whereby they undertook to keep the roof and exterior walls of the premises he occupied at Kowloon in a proper state of repair.

His Lordship, in his judgment, said no structural defect was alleged. The circumstances seemed to make it clear that the principle that notices must be given by the tenant was fundamentally based upon the circumstances of the tenancy. If notice by the tenant is necessary, if, and when the landlord has parted with the possession and control of the premises it seemed to follow that notice was unnecessary where defects arose in portions of the tenement retained by the landlord in his own hands. The tenant in this case had no means of knowing the state of the roof and gutters. The landlord had. That being so, what was the liability of defendant? His Lordship gave his decision as follows with regard to negligence in the matter:—There was no evidence given for the defence that any inspection of the roof was made. He thought it was clearly the landlord's duty to inspect and not to wait for complaints from the tenant. The landlord possibly did not realise this and he probably considered that he did his duty if he repaired with reasonable expedition any defect reported by the tenant.

His Lordship thought the defendant company was in this dilemma: either the pipes had become choked by gradual accretion of matter extending over a long period of time or the obstruction was the effect of a storm of almost unparalleled violence which caused very great damage to house property, particularly to roofs. In the first contingency inspection at regular intervals would have shown the necessity for a periodical clearing of the drains pipes. In the second he thought the storm caused a state of things which inspection would have revealed and which was bound to result in damage unless attended to in season. In either event he thought the landlord had not discharged his duty to the tenant. He therefore gave judgment for plaintiff with costs and referred the question of the amount of damage to the registrar.

Tomorrow evening at the Victoria Cinematograph Miss Coultie and Mrs. Ward will make their debut, and patrons well provided for with these two new actresses in addition to the popular and favourite Miss P. E. Macdonald. The management received twenty new films by the French steamer on Monday.

"A CHEAP LODGING HOUSE."

Several Chinese wrote to the Sanitary Board asking that their houses at Hok Up might be released, and the letter was read at the meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon.

Dr Macdonald reported that he had made a survey of the place and found that there were 1030 persons living in 212 huts. The general sanitary conditions were in many cases very bad indeed and it would be quite useless trying to improve them. The walls were loose stones making fine rat runs and the floors were of mud. They were certainly overcrowded in many places. The village appeared to be cheap lodging house for Chinese workers and dock coolies. As the Chinese were made on account of plague he did not think there would be any risk in opening them for the next five months, so far as plague was concerned, but he considered that steps should be taken to remove this village as it was far too close to the ordinary built up area. The village type plan could be used in its place. The few who were genuine villagers and the coolies could get permanent floors at the rate of about 20 to a floor. The new law which did not make it expensive for them. The plague figures had already been given. Many of the cases in Hongkong could be more or less traced to this area. One, if enough were taken, would no doubt do good, but he did not see how the present staff would be able to make sure that enough cats were kept, so that cat keeping would depend on the people themselves more or less. They could not get rid of the flies in the houses. A letter was received from Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Company expressing the hope that the application to inhabit the huts near the Green Island Cement Works would be refused as it was dangerous to have these insanitary dwellings occupied by people so near large works such as these.

Mr. Shewan Tomes intimated:—I consider that the buildings should be demolished as they are a source of danger to the whole neighbourhood.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

A SUGGESTION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Sir:—While in Manila I had an interview with Father Algue, of the Observatory. It developed in the course of conversation that to further safeguard Hongkong from typhoons the scientist wishes there were communication with the islands that lie between the northern extremity of the Philippines and Formosa. It appears that certain of the typhoons which swept the Hongkong coast through this channel, from which no observations can be secured because of no telegraphic communication. The storm which thus pass North of the Philippines do not affect those islands themselves, and the Philippine Government declines to assume the expense of establishing the desired communication for that reason. Father Algue gave me to understand that if an observer with cable communication had been stationed on these islands, that it is possible the serious typhoons of 1906 and 1908 could have been forecasted a day or a half or two days in advance. Most of us know little or nothing about storms but Father Algue knows a great deal. His insistence that it would be very beneficial to Hongkong if this city had the benefit of observations on the Batanes Islands is important. In order to give publicity to the matter I append a letter received by me from Father Algue.

AMOS P. WILDER,
American Consul General

The Government of the Philippine Islands.

WEATHER BUREAU, CENTRAL OFFICE, MANILA.

Sir:—Referring to our conversation on the occasion of your visit to Manila Observatory, I beg to say, that while there is no absolute means of means of guarding the British Colony of Hongkong against surprises in the nature of small, but violent typhoons, matters could be vastly improved by closing the gap between Aparri, on the Island of Luzon, and Formosa, by erecting in the Balangian Channel a station having telegraphic communication either with Manila or Hongkong, or, preferably, with both. The most suitable point for such station is Santa Domingo, Batanes Islands. But a well high-insurmountable difficulty lies in the cost. A cable from the said place to the nearest telegraph station on land, a distance of 124 nautical miles in the air, seems out of question. Moreover, the land line from Aparri to Manila can never be depended upon during the typhoon season.

It has been suggested to me that a wireless telegraph station would cost vastly less than a cable and would probably prove much more efficient.

Such an apparatus, capable of sending messages to a distance of 500 miles, if installed at Santa Domingo, could communicate directly with the wireless station of the British Fleet at Hongkong and the station of the U. S. Army at Manila. The co-operation of the military and naval authorities could be secured without difficulty.

An additional safeguard, which together with the former would almost completely eliminate the danger of surprise would consist in equipping all the steamers which ply regularly in these waters, with wireless apparatus. Even if capable of sending messages only to distances up to 250 miles, the cable would be rare in which timely warning of some prowling typhoon could not be given by at least one of them either to Hongkong directly, or via Santa Domingo, or Manila.

However, all these precautions entail very great expense, and I fear that things are bound to continue as they have hitherto.—Very respectfully,

(Signed) JOSE ALAÑEZ,
Director, Weather Bureau.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

Annual Meeting.

At the Cricket Club Pavilion on Monday evening, the annual meeting of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club was held under the presidency of the Hon. Mr. P. H. May, Colonial Secretary. There was a large attendance of members.

The Chairman said that was the first meeting of members since the opening of the new club-house and they hoped to get a larger attendance by assembling in that central locality. The club-house was a very substantial and commodious structure, and was situated in a very salubrious and convenient locality. Their boats were in a thoroughly good state. They had no less than four new four-oared boats by the best English makers and two two-oared boats. That ought to give a considerable impetus to rowing. He was happy to state that yachting seemed to have taken an upward turn. They had a new one-design class in course of construction, the design of one of the best designers of small boats in England, and he hoped they would witness some good sport in the new class. Now that they had got a permanent home in such pleasant surroundings he hoped the club would be more largely patronised than it was at present by the community. Rowing and yachting were both national sports in Great Britain and why they were not more popular here he did not know. Rowing was fairly popular, but yachting seemed to become less popular each year. The club was a thoroughly sporting organisation. They were not like the great club over the way. They provided a special club for ladies and they hoped ladies would not be like the other Royal club in the Colony which would not admit ladies on an equal footing in the ancient game of golf, although he would make hold to say that there were lady golf-players in the Colony who could beat fifty per cent. of the men who play golf. (Laughter.) No, there was nothing mean about them, they provided a ladies room, and he thought rowing men would be willing to row against a ladies' four. With regard to yachting, they had ladies who had taken charge of the steering in club races and they hoped when they had the new one-design class they would have ladies racing in that class. Therefore he thought their club deserved a higher place in a sport loving community than it at present received. There was another characteristic of the club to which he would like to refer. It possessed a large German element, and that element had done a great deal for their rowing in the past. (Hear, hear.) He was told that at present there was a movement on foot to form a German four and he wished it every success. That was what they wanted—a little healthy rivalry in sport as well as in higher things. The only fault he had to find with our German cousins was that they did not go in for yachting as much as they ought to. He remembered some years ago when the Royal Navy offered a club prize for yachting. He did his best to win it and the Dione came in first; but one of the sons of the Fatherland snatched the cup from him on his time allowance. Next to winning it himself, he was glad to see it going to one of our German cousins. They would remember when they had Prince Henry of Prussia in Hongkong for three weeks; it gave him great pleasure to know that a German had won the cup, and he was quite sure that nothing would give greater pleasure to his Imperial Brother than to see German yachtsmen coming to the front in the Far East.

Mr. H. C. White in moving the adoption of the report and accounts said that the Club House stood at cost, but they would observe a balance of \$3,966.75 against it in the form of capital account, the latter consisting of the funds with which the Club started, together with the other assets at the commencement, less losses of those assets and with the addition of the periodic balances of the working account. The result of the present working account would go to this and they could therefore look upon capital account as a general reserve against contingencies. He expected that all his doubtful assets had been cleared off as this capital account should substantially increase. The debentures should be paid off as soon as they got funds, as interest was a very heavy item. When this had been reduced to a reasonable amount the question of decreasing subscriptions might arise, but not for a few years yet. The working account was fairly satisfactory and if interest on the debentures was considered compared favourably with previous years.

The motion, which was carried unanimously, was seconded by Lieut-Col. Broke.

Hon Mr. F. H. May having declined to be re-elected to the position of Commodore of the club, the Hon Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., was unanimously elected.

The committee were elected as follows:—Yachting—Hon. Mr. F. H. May, Rear Admiral Stokes, Mr. H. W. Bird, Captain H. J. Walker, R.E., Mr. H. P. Tooker, Mr. A. B. Rowe, Rowing—Lieut-Col. Broke, Messrs. E. W. Carpenter, F. W. Warren, H. W. Lester, K. Keonig, and W. B. Stanton.

A general committee is to be appointed.

FROM MEXICO.

THE following paragraph was clipped from the "El Sol," a newspaper at Hermosillo, Mexico, (it being a part of a letter to the publisher from a friend):—"On my last trip to my property on the ground, my boat fell with me in the ground, soundly, madly, but by a close provision I had brought in my rifle, a flask of ham-bone's Pain Balm, and after using it was able to continue my journey the following day as if nothing had happened. I never get tired of praising this popular liniment and from recommending it." For sale by all chemists and druggists.

PREVENTION OF INFECTION.

The Committee appointed by the Sanitary Board, to consider the bye-laws with regard to infected premises, have drawn up some revised bye-laws, which were submitted at the meeting this afternoon, for the regulation of Disinfection of infected premises; removal of patients; prevention and mitigation of epidemic, endemic and contagious disease.

Dr. Pearce, M.O.H., a member of the committee, in a letter to the President of the Board wished to add that in his opinion the diseases, measles, whooping cough and pertussis fever, should be included in the definition of epidemic, endemic, contagious and infectious disease and contained in bye-law 1 under the head "Disinfection of infected premises", and bye-law 5 under the head, "Removal of patients."

Hon Mr. H. W. Slademinted:—Measles and whooping cough can at any time be brought under this definition by special resolution if considered necessary.

Mr. Sheldon Hooper:—I do not think measles or whooping cough should be included in the definition.

THE LATE MR. WILLIAM JACKSON.

The death has occurred at an advanced age, of Mr. William Jackson, formerly manager, and subsequently a director, of the Mercantile Bank of India. The late Mr. Jackson joined the old Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China, on Jan. 1, 1858, which was incorporated in 1858 under the style of The Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China. In 1861 he was manager in Shanghai, and in 1864 he was appointed inspector, and in 1875 came to London as assistant manager. On the retirement of Mr. D. T. Robertson in 1882, Mr. Jackson was appointed chief manager, a post which he held for 10 years until the absorption of the bank in December, 1892, by the Mercantile Bank of India, of which he became a director.

EATEN BY A SHARK.

Passengers by the P. and O. Company's Indian mail steamer *Amelia*, which called at Plymouth on Aug. 23, have been the unwilling witnesses of a terrible tragedy, a very popular member of the crew, Wm. Newbury, being eaten by a shark. Newbury, who was twenty-six years of age and married, was storekeeper. For some days a large shark had been observed following the vessel. When the liner was in the vicinity of Cape Finisterre there was a shout of "Man overboard!" Next moment everyone's heart leapt as the thought of the shark occurred. Quickly the ship was swung round, and a boat was manned. The man, who proved to be Newbury, was observed in the water, evidently swimming. From the deck he was seen to be keeping himself well afloat, while the boat raced in his direction. Nothing was seen of the dreaded fish, which had previously roused the passengers' interest, but was now looking for with horror. Suddenly, according to the story of one of the passengers, as the man breast the waves pluckily, he gave vent to an agonised shriek. At the same instant there was a commotion in the waters, and his head disappeared. A few moments later the boat was on the scene—two later, the waves were tinged with blood. The ferocious fish and its victim were already in the depths, out of reach and the lifeless body to give up hope and remain a mystery. No one appears to have known he was overboard until a shout was raised from the water.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 28th at 6.10 p.m.—The typhoon on the East of Luzon appears to be moving Westwards.

On the 28th at 12.05.—The barometer has fallen slightly over the Philippines and Formosa, and risen moderately in Tonkin.

The typhoon remains over the Pacific to the Eastward of Japan.

Pressure has increased slightly over Central China, and given way moderately over S. Japan and the Loochoos.

A depression is situated in the neighbourhood of the latter area. High pressure still covers N.E. Japan.

Moderate to fresh N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.40 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, E. to N.E. winds, moderate to showery.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, Same as No. 1.

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SHIPPING.

For carrying passengers on his unlicensed boat, a master was fined \$10 at the Marine Court to-day.

The *Japan Mail* understands that Capt. C. T. S. Filmer, of the Hongkong Maru, has resigned from the Toyo Kisen Kaisha's service. He left on the 22nd Sept. by the America Maru for San Francisco where he has very promising business prospects in partnership with his brother-in-law.

The steamer *Raila* (Captain Almond), arrived from Manila this morning. She reports having light S.W. and calm, clear weather with heavy westerly swell till 10 p.m. on the 20th inst; thence to port variable winds and heavy rains.

Mr Norman Taylor, second officer of the Yuen-sang, has been sentenced in Manila to a year's imprisonment and fined 1000 pesos for having in his possession 40 cans of opium; and he was also fined 500 pesos for being in possession of several lottery tickets. Mr Taylor is a married man with one child and this was his first offence.

An addition was made on the 28th ult. to the fleet of steamers owned by the Ocean Steamship Company, Limited, of Liverpool (Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co., Limited), by the launch of the steamship *Theseus*. The vessel has been built by Messrs. Workman, Clark and Co., of Belfast, and is 450 ft. in length, with a gross tonnage of 6,800, and is intended for trade to the Far East. This is the eighteenth steamer built in these works for the Ocean Steamship Company's fleet.

Staterooms for a number of saloon passengers have been arranged on the boat deck. The ventilation of the passenger accommodation throughout has received special attention.

The Russian Admiralty has resolved to accept the tender of Messrs. Blohm and Voos at Hamburg for the construction of new battleships. The Kaiser telegraphed congratulating the directors on this result. The order for the Emperor's new racing yacht has just been placed with the Germania yard at Kiel. The vessel is to cost about £35,000, and Mr. Majesty has ordered that as far as possible the material employed in its construction is to be drawn from native firms. It seems that the present state of business at the German shipyards is not so gloomy as was expected. The directors of the German yacht at Rostock report that the yard has up to the present been fully occupied, and still has to deliver several vessels. At the general meeting of the Elder Wharf at Tooting the chairman stated that the demand for vessels is increasing. An extraordinary general meeting is to empower the directors to issue £50 shares.—L. and O. Express.

In moving the adoption of the report at the half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the Manchester Ship Canal last month, Mr. Tynhall regretted the setback it showed. It was explained, he said, by the extreme depression in practically every branch of trade which prevailed. The result had been a severe falling off in the imports and exports of the world. The effect had been particularly disastrous to shipping. Never in the history of the world had freights been so low. Large numbers of great cargo steamers, which better days had plying between the United States and Liverpool, were laid up, and the difficulty was to find berthing accommodation for idle vessels. During the next three months they must be prepared to see a further falling-off.

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha was to hold its semi-annual meeting on the 30th instant. The results of the half-year's working, says the *Japan Mail*, have not been satisfactory. The Company's 10,000-ton ships plying on the Pacific have not as a rule obtained six or seven hundred tons of cargo, and had it not been for considerable shipments of kerosene oil the outcome would have been still worse. The Toyo Maru has begun her career most successfully, but as her first trip was not made until June, she scarcely affects the accounts at all. The Company is nevertheless able to place a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. on its preference shares, after paying 12 per cent. on its preference shares. That is not such a bad showing; yet the Company's shares (£50 paid up) are now quoted at £25 in the open market.

The *Japan Mail* says that a shocking accident occurred on-board the Toyo Kisen Kaisha's liner *Hongkong Maru* during her voyage from San Francisco to Yokohama, where she arrived on the 16th inst. It appears that on the afternoon of the 1st inst. a member of the crew of that liner, which left San Francisco on August 29, attempted to carry a cask containing sulphuric acid from the deck to the lower hold, when the cask suddenly exploded. As a result, over ten Japanese passengers, including a woman who happened to be on the spot, were severely injured in the face and limbs. The *Hongkong Maru* also met a typhoon on the night of the 13th, when she was about 700 miles off Yokohama. Her deck was washed by waves and the wireless line severed. The wind ceased on the afternoon of the 14th, and the vessel was able to enter Yokohama at 11.30 a.m. on the 16th without sustaining any particular damage. None of the passengers or crew sustained any injury.

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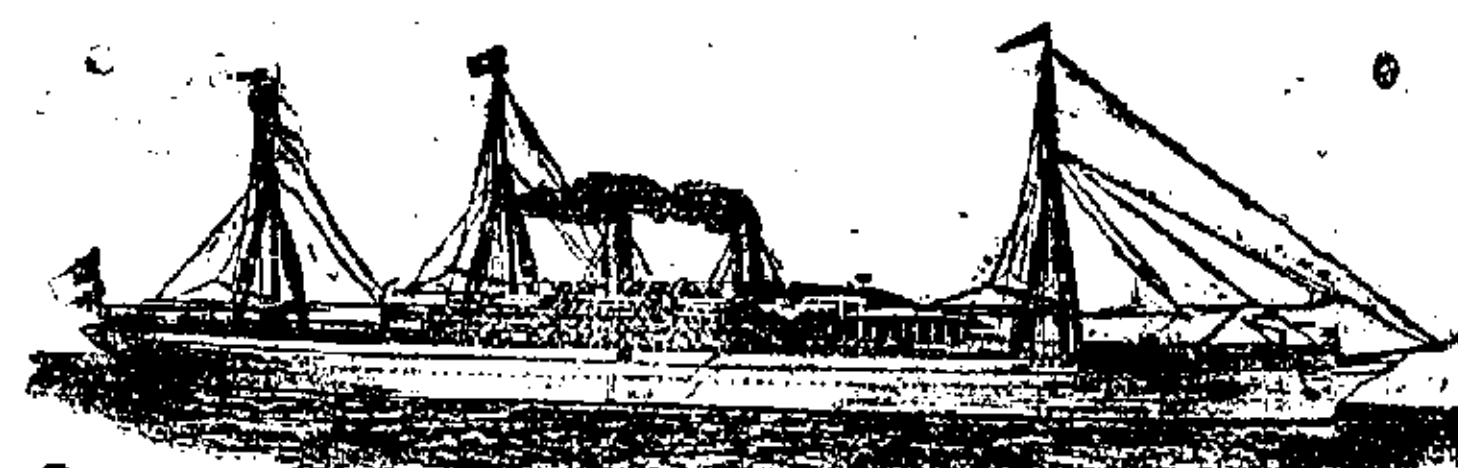
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| FOR | STEAMERS | CAPTAIN | TO SAIL |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA | POLYNESIEN | Broc | Oct. 12, 1 p.m. |
| MARSEILLES, Via Ports | VILLE DE LA CHOTAT | Banillon | Oct. 13, at 1 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA | TOURANE | Lafayette | Oct. 26, 1 p.m. |
| MARSEILLES, Via Ports | CALEDONIEN | Martin | Oct. 27, at 1 p.m. |

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KEELUNG, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA

| Steamer | Tons | Captain | Sailing date, 1908. |
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| CRAIGVAR | 4415 | B. C. Edmonds | 8th October |
| SUYEIKO | 4235 | W. Shotton | 10th November |
| KUMBERG | 4235 | F. S. O'Connell | 1st December |
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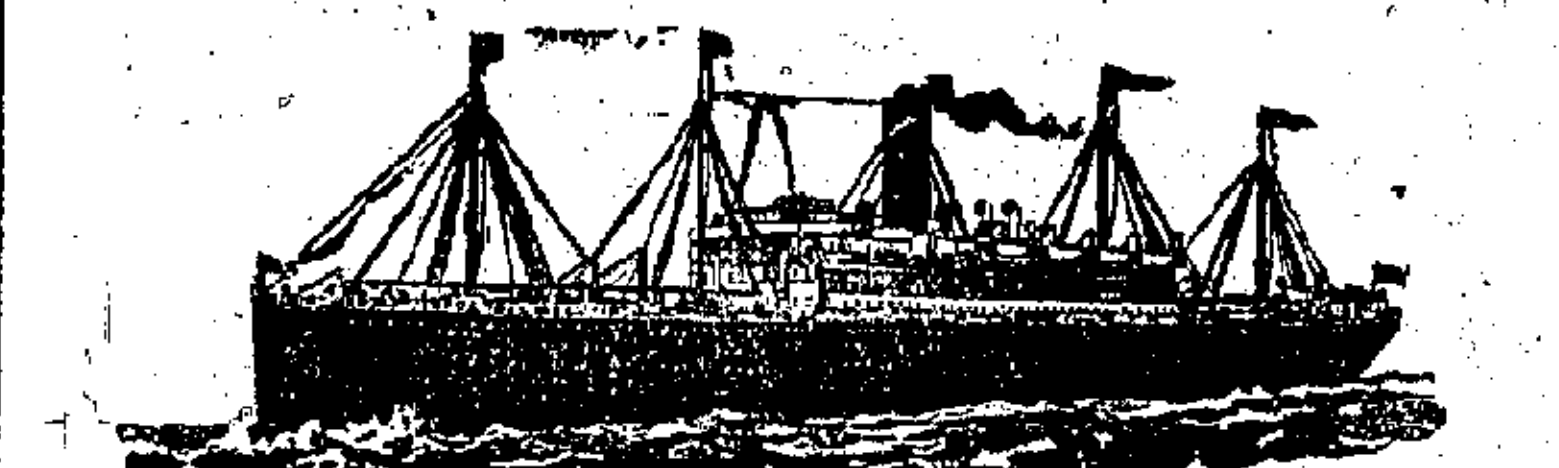
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

| STEAMERS | SAILING DATES, 1908. |
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| * MANOHUA | 27,000 Tons, WEDNESDAY, 30th Sept., at Noon. |
| * HONGKONG MARU | 11,000 Tons, FRIDAY, 9th Oct., at Noon. |
| * ASIA | 9,500 Tons, SATURDAY, 17th Oct., at Noon. |
| * MONGOLIA | 27,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 24th Oct., at Daylight. |
| * TOYO MARU | 21,000 Tons, TUESDAY, 3rd Nov., at Noon. |
| * KOREA | 18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 14th Nov., at Noon. |
| * AMERICA MARU | 11,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 28th Nov., at Noon. |
| * SIBERIA | 18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 12th Dec., at Noon. |
| * CHINA | 10,800 Tons, SATURDAY, 12th Dec., at Noon. |

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Yokohama to San Francisco, S.S. KOREA, 18,000 tons, September 16-27th 1908; 10 days, 11 hours and 5 minutes.

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San Francisco to Yokohama, S.S. SIBERIA, calling at Midway Islands and Honolulu en-route, August 16th-21st, 1908, 13 days, 13 hours.

Yokohama to San Francisco, S.S. SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, Oct. 13th to 23rd, 1908; 10 days, 10 hours and 29 minutes.

THE P. M. Steamship MANOHUA will be despatched from Hongkong to SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th September, 1908, at Noon, taking cargo for Japan and the United States.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL |
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| SWATOW, AMOY, SHANGHAI AND CHINKIANG | HUPUR | Sept. 30, at 2 p.m. |
| MANILA | TAMING | Sept. 30, at 4 p.m. |
| SAMARANG & SOUBABAYA | SHANTUNG | Oct. 2, at 4 p.m. |
| CEBU & ILOILO | SUNGIANG | Oct. 8, at 4 p.m. |
| MANILA | TEAN | Oct. 6, at 4 p.m. |
| TAIWAN | | October 10, at 4 p.m. |

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| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL |
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| * SHOSHU MARU | ANPING, Via SWATOW, AND AMOY | WEDNESDAY, 30th Oct., at 9 a.m. |
| * BUJUN MARU | SHANGHAI, Via SWATOW, AMOY AND KOCHOOW | THURSDAY, 1st Sept., at 9 a.m. |
| * JOSEPH MARU | TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY | SUNDAY, 4th Oct., at 9 a.m. |

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For STEAMERS To SAIL, 1908.

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| NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIER, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, TON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG | LUTZOW | WEDNESDAY, 7th Oct., at Noon. |
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| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA | PRINCESS ALICE | About WEDNESDAY, 7th Oct. |
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| MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE | PRINZ WILHELM | THURSDAY, 8th Oct., at 5 p.m. |
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| KUDAT AND SANDAKAN | BORNEO | Middle of October. |
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| * SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI | KUTSANG TUESDAY, Oct. 2, at Noon. |
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STEAMERS. To SAIL, 1908.

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| Steamers | Leave | Connecting Steamers | Due at | Due at |
|----------|----------|---------------------|---------|---------|
| to | Hongkong | from Colombo to | Paris | London |
| Colombo | 1908 | 1908 | 1908 | 1908 |
| DEVANHA | 8000 | Oct. 3 | Nov. 7 | Nov. 21 |
| DELTA | 8000 | Oct. 17 | Nov. 21 | Nov. 21 |
| ASSAYE | 8000 | Oct. 31 | Nov. 25 | Nov. 25 |
| DELTA | 8000 | Nov. 14 | Nov. 29 | Nov. 29 |
| DEVANHA | 8000 | Nov. 28 | Dec. 3 | Dec. 3 |
| DELTA | 8000 | Dec. 12 | Dec. 16 | Dec. 16 |
| ASSAYE | 8000 | Dec. 26 | Dec. 30 | Dec. 30 |
| DELTA | 8000 | Jan. 9 | Jan. 13 | Jan. 13 |
| ASSAYE | 8000 | Jan. 23 | Jan. 27 | Jan. 27 |
| DELTA | 8000 | Jan. 27 | Feb. 1 | Feb. 1 |

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| | TONNAGE | about | about |
| * NORE | 7000 | Oct. 7 | Nov. 22 |
| * SUMATRA | 5000 | Nov. 2 | Dec. 20 |
| * SOMALI | 7000 | Dec. 2 | Jan. (1909) 17 |
| * SICILIA | 7000 | Dec. 30 | Feb. 14 |
| * NILE | 7000 | Jan. (1909) 13 | Feb. 28 |
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BRITISH COMPOSERS PROGRAMME

Air and Variations.....Sunset
 The Curfew.....Hosanna
 Military March No. 4.....Elegiac
 Solos: Mrs. DEALY.

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 Hongkong, September 29, 1908. 1332

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Gymnasium on WEDNESDAY, the 7th October, 1908, to confirm the Resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting of 29th inst., copy of which is posted on the Notice Board in the Club House.
FRANK LAMBERT,
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 Hongkong, September 29, 1908. 1331

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Cosmopolitan.—Pechoutas, Mandol.

Aberdeen.—Fanni Maru.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous day at 4 p.m. On date at 4 p.m.

Barometer 29.84 29.82 29.82

Temperature 80 79 78

Humidity 85 91 87

Direction of Wind S S E

Force 2 1 2

Weather clear od -

State of sky 1.78 -

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